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OF MASS MEDIA IN STRENGTHENING PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL
UNDERSTANDING AND IN COMBATING WAR PROPAGANDA, RACISM AND
APARTHEID

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1. EMBOFF RAISED SUBJECT WITH DR PAUL STAUFFER, FEDERAL
POLITICAL DEPT (FONMIN) SECTION CHIEF FOR CULTURAL
AND UNESCO AFFAIRS, STRESSING POINTS MADE REFTEL. STAUFFER
SAID GOS MAKING ALL OUT EFFORT OPPOSE DRAFT ON RACISM
AND RELUCTANT DILUTE EFFORT BY ALSO SEEKING POSTPONE
CONSIDERATION DRAFT DECLARATION ON MEDIA USE, ESPECIALLY
IF SUCCESS SUCH EFFORT UNLIKELY. HOWEVER, HE FOUND POINTS
MADE REFTEL PERSUASIVE, PARTICULARLY US BELIEF DG M'BOW
WOULD PERSONALLY WELCOME POSTPONEMENT AND US ASSESSMENT
ATTITUDE COUNTRIES WHICH EITHER WITHDREW FROM DECEMBER
MEETING OR ABSTAINED FROM VOTING.

2. STAUFFER SAID GOS WOULD CONSIDER JOINING US EFFORT
POSTPONE CONSIDERATION DRAFT DECLARATION ON MEDIA USE
IF SWISS UNESCO PERMDEL'S ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION
SIMILAR TO THAT OF US CONTAINED REFTEL. HOWEVER,
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STAUFFER HAS INFORMED US THAT AS OF AUGUST 10 SWISS

PERMDEL HAD NOT YET OBTAINED SUFFICIENTLY PERSUASIVE
READING OF SITUATION TO CONVINCE GOS JOINT US EFFORT
SEEK POSTPONEMENT CONSIDERATION DRAFT DECLARATION.
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